| | Reader | <u>Readings</u> |
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| Sun 6 Sept | Alan Waddell | Proverbs 22;1-2,8-9,22-23; James 2: 1-10(11-13)14-17 (Mark 7:24-37) |
| Sun 13 Sept | Margaret Gray | Proberbs 1:20-33, James 3:1-12; (Mark 8:27-38) |
| Sun 20 Sept | Alan Waddell | Proverbs 31:10-31; James 3:13-4:3 7-8a (Mark 9:30-37) |
| Sun 27 Sept NO SERVICE IN ST MARGARETS | | |
| Sun 4 Oct | Margaret Gray | Job 1, 1; 2:1-10, Hebrews 1:1-4; |
| | | 2:5-12 (Mark 10:2-16) |

Please arrange to swap if unavailable for allotted date

"By all those lovely tokens

September days are here,
With summer's best weather
And autumn's best of cheer."

Helen Hunt Jackson



ST MARGARET'S EPISCOPAL CHURCH TAYPORT



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Notes from St Margaret's

September is a month of transition, fluctuating from the mature beauty of the flowers and fruits of late summer to the images and changing colours of Autumn.

It is a busy time for gardeners amongst us as they begin to clear the falling leaves, removing this year's debris but more importantly, planting spring bulbs for the next year.

The evenings are cooler as the hours of daylight diminish. It is a month of the autumnal equinox.

Pentecost continues with September's celebration of the birth of Mary, mother of our Lord, and later the life of Matthew, apostle and evangelist.

For us, at St Margarets, it is a period of reflection as we acclaim the harvest of our love and worship of God. However, it is a time we open our doors to visitors on 6 September as inspiration of the spiritual growth of our small church.

Best wishes, Margaret Gray

September by Dorothy Lawrence

This far north, the harvest happens late Rooks go clattering over the sycamores whose shadows yawn after them, down to the river Uncut wheat staggers under its own weight.

Summer is leaving too, exchanging its gold for brass and copper. It is not so strange to feel nostalgia for the present already this September evening is as old.

As in photograph of itself. The light, the shadows on the field, are sepia, as if this were some other evening in September, some other harvest that went ungathered years ago.



<u>September Services Diary</u>

| Sun 6 Sept 10.30am | Pentecost 15. Family Eucharist with Rev David Elder followed by tea/coffee in the hall |
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| Sun 13 Sept 10.30am | Pentecost 16. Family Eucharist followed by tea/coffee in the hall |
| Sun 20 Sept 10.30am | Pentecost 17. Family Eucharist with Rev David Elder followed by tea/coffee in the hall |
| Sun 27 Sept 11.00am | Pentecost 18. Harvest Festival in the |
| Thurs 3 Sept 10.30am Sun 4 Oct 10.30am | Parish Church, Queen Street. Joint Service Meditations in Church Pentecost 19. Family Eucharist followed by tea/coffee in the hall |

<u>September Rotas</u>

Offering

| Sun 6 Sept | Margaret Redpath | Janette Turvey | |
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| Sun 13 Sept | Janette Turvey | Margaret Redpath | |
| Sun 20 Sept | Christine Barker | Janette Turvey | |
| Sun 27 Sept | No Service in St Margarets | | |
| Sun 4 Oct | Janette Turvey | Margaret Redpath | |

Reception

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September Events

Starting Thursday 3 Sept 10.30am Meditations in Church, every Thursday through to December.

Sun 6 Sept 1.00 - 4.00pm Fife Doors Open Day. St Margaret's church.

Sun 27 Sept 11.00am Joint Harvest Service with Parish Church, Queen Street. Donations for food bank if you wish.

St Margaret's Mission Statement

The mission of St Margaret's church is to worship together, reach out, with the other churches, to those in the community and beyond, offering them welcome and hospitality wherever they are on their spiritual journey.